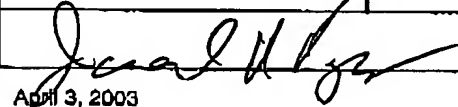


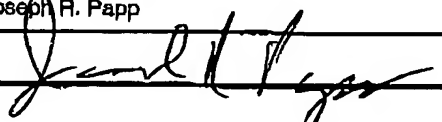
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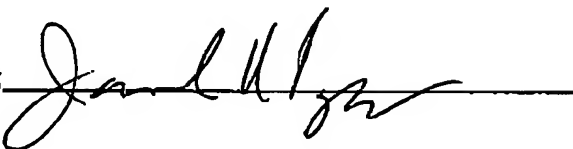
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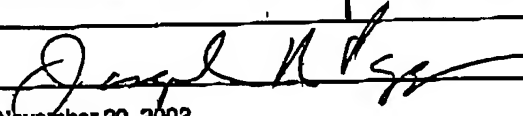
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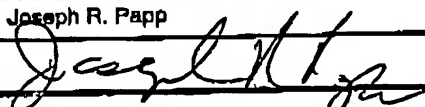
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- Copy of the International Search Report
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- Request for Immediate Examination

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